

Culturally-Responsive Approaches & Resources for Survivors of Abuse in Indian Country



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Location TBD in Portland, OR



The *Response Circles* domestic & sexual violence prevention project at the **Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board** is offering a training on “Culturally-Responsive Approaches & Resources for Survivors of Abuse in Indian Country” for Tribal members or professionals serving Tribes who may provide support to survivors of domestic and sexual violence or respond to disclosures.

StrongHearts Description: Launched in 2017, the StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-7NATIVE), is a free, confidential and culturally-appropriate domestic violence and dating violence helpline created by and for American Indians and Alaska Natives across the U.S. As a collaborative project of the National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center and the National Domestic Violence Hotline. The helpline offers peer-to-peer emotional support, crisis intervention, assistance with safety planning, and a connection to local Native resources and can be reached at 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CST nationwide. To date, more than 2,500 callers have reached out to the StrongHearts Native Helpline for support on their healing journey. However, it is clear that more resources are needed, as there continues to be a severe gap in culturally-responsive services that are specialized to serve Native survivors of abuse.

Training Objectives: As result of this training, attendees will be able to:

- Understand the dynamics of domestic violence and dating violence, along with abusive “red flags” in relationships.
- Recognize unique barriers to justice and safety faced by victims and survivors of abuse in Indian Country.
- Discuss the need for more culturally-based services to support domestic violence and sexual assault victims and survivors in tribal communities.
- Identify available services and educational tools offered by the StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-7NATIVE).

Who Should Attend: Advocates, Counselors, Social Services, Case Workers, Victim Services, Educators, Healthcare Providers, Mental Health Providers, Community Health Representatives, Recreation & Youth Services, Law Enforcement, Family Violence Services and Court Representatives.

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